



Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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Winter Wheat Harvest Almost Complete

Agricultural Summary

Precipitation was below normal for most of the state. Lava Hot Springs recorded the greatest accumulation at 0.94 inches. Several extension educators reported minor rain delays from precipitation. Average weekly temperatures ranged from 1 to 7 degrees above normal. Major agricultural activities included irrigating, caring for livestock, and harvesting alfalfa, dry beans, small grains, and potatoes.

Field Crop Report

Warm and dry weather has improved harvest conditions in many areas. Many University of Idaho Extension educators report that cereal crops are in good condition and that yields are expected to be good. Plum and prune harvest is 70 percent complete. Harvest of winter wheat is drawing to a close. Harvest of peaches, prunes, and plums advanced considerably last week.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Reports indicate topsoil moisture to be 7% very short, 32% short, 60% adequate, and 1% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Cattle and sheep continue to graze summer allotments and pastures. Reported range and pasture conditions remain in mostly good conditions.

Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Barley	0	2	10	59	29
Spring Wheat	0	2	6	71	21
Range & Pasture	0	9	23	56	12
Potatoes	0	1	5	87	7
Irr. Water Supply	0	4	9	65	22

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2009	2008	Avg.
Field Corn Harvested for Silage	3	3	4
Potato Vines Dying/Killed	38	28	37
Dry Beans Harvested	26	28	22
Dry Peas Harvested	81	68	83
Lentils Harvested	70	56	76
Oats Harvested	68	55	64
Peaches Harvested	67	41	60
Onions Harvested	10	3	13
Mint 1 st Cutting Harvested	89	87	93

Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg
Spring Wheat															
Harvested	72	51	74	98	98	99	89	95	93	40	40	64	58	51	72
Barley															
Harvested	70	59	79	97	99	100	83	84	90	30	34	56	48	51	68
Winter Wheat															
Harvested	93	83	93	100	100	100	96	97	98	82	83	91	91	86	93
Planted	--	--	1	1	--	2	3	--	2	3	--	1	2	--	1
Potato															
Harvested	NA	NA	NA	25	19	25	4	2	6	--	--	1	2	2	4
Alfalfa															
Second Cutting....	82	98	96	100	100	100	99	100	100	87	85	93	94	92	96
Third Cutting.....	NA	NA	NA	55	57	81	60	81	80	2	17	25	35	48	58

Avg (2004 – 2008); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

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Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, August 30, 2009 ^{1/}

Station	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation		Since Mar 1 Precipitation		Growing Degree Days Since March 1		
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Base 40 Total	Base 50 Total	Base 50 DFN
North											
Coeur D' Alene	93	51	68	1	0.02	-0.31	10.40	0.79	3123	1793	5
Grangeville	94	45	69	7	0.22	-0.13	13.85	0.28	3018	1696	355
Lewiston	102	52	75	5	0.26	0.05	5.49	-0.71	4176	2612	269
Porthill	92	44	65	4	0.00	-0.34	10.67	2.18	2856	1551	118
Winchester	94	39	65	6	0.06	-0.22	12.20	-1.03	2444	1246	330
Southwest											
Boise	102	54	76	7	0.04	-0.10	8.31	3.13	3885	2339	80
Emmett	96	54	75	7	0.20	0.06	6.98	1.89	3813	2324	144
Glenns Ferry	101	51	75	7	0.38	0.25	8.42	4.42	3830	2328	139
Grandview	100	51	74	5	0.00	-0.10	3.78	0.43	3852	2310	-139
Nampa	96	52	73	5	0.00	-0.14	3.99	-0.5	3855	2318	45
Parma	95	48	73	6	0.05	-0.09	4.18	-0.7	3971	2415	261
South Central											
Fairfield	91	43	65	4	0.17	0.03	7.59	1.73	2304	1092	-162
Malta	94	44	68	3	0.03	-0.18	7.47	1.06	2935	1578	-136
Picabo	93	48	69	7	0.04	-0.10	7.80	2.41	2788	1528	167
Rupert	92	50	69	4	0.00	-0.14	5.27	0.68	3054	1685	-77
Twin Falls	92	53	70	7	0.02	-0.12	6.44	1.79	3318	1886	203
East											
Aberdeen	91	47	68	6	0.03	-0.11	7.51	2.66	2871	1549	51
Ashton	88	43	64	5	0.45	0.17	10.58	1.15	2275	1051	-98
Fort Hall	93	44	68	4	0.08	-0.13	8.19	1.86	2852	1533	-145
Idaho Falls	92	48	68	5	0.44	0.23	7.25	1.51	2931	1579	-1
Lava Hot Springs	90	47	67	3	0.94	0.73	10.77	4.86	2786	1480	-198
Monteview	90	45	66	4	0.09	-0.05	5.81	0.24	2541	1279	-221
Preston	92	45	68	3	0.08	-0.13	9.78	2.17	3139	1739	-17
Rexburg	91	43	65	5	0.08	-0.13	8.69	1.67	2456	1182	-43

1/ Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit www.awis.com or call 1-888-798-9955.